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Christine RONDEAU

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KERATIN FIBERS WITH A  
CATIONIC DIRECT DYE AND A  
THICKENING POLYMER

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(2) Application No. 09/350,579 filed July 8, 1999, COMPOSITION FOR DYEING KERATIN FIBERS WITH A CATIONIC DIRECT DYE AND A THICKENING POLYMER in the names of Gérard LANG et al., as indicated by the assignment duly recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 010285, Frame 0483 on October 5, 1999 ("Application (2)"); and

(3) Application No. 09/349,436, filed July 8, 1999, (CPA filed March 19, 2001), for COMPOSITION FOR DYEING KERATIN FIBERS WITH A CATIONIC DIRECT DYE AND A THICKENING POLYMER in the names of Gérard LANG et al., by assignment duly recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 010285, Frame 0454 on October 5, 1999 ("Application (3)").

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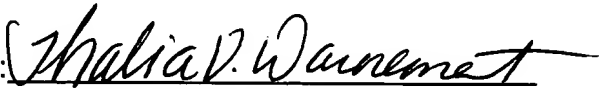
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